(ATTACHMENT 1) ACTION ON THE AWARD OF EXCEPTION-TO-BID CONTRACTS

This item is initiated by the Administration.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board approve the following exception-to-bid contracts:

Exception Authorization to Purchase with Rooted MKE, LLC DBA Rooted MKE for Children's Books

The Administration is requesting authorization to issue a purchase order to Rooted MKE, LLC DBA Rooted MKE to purchase 500 copies of nine selected children's books.

The books will be used by MPS early childhood teachers to support the development of young children's identity as capable and confident mathematical thinkers while learning about accomplished mathematicians and scientists that are reflective of our diverse student population.

Lesson plans will be developed for each title by MPS early childhood teachers that have advanced learning in providing equitable access to high quality teaching and learning experience in mathematics for young children. Teachers will be invited to professional learning opportunities where they will receive a copy of each book with the accompanying lesson plans.

A potential 12,500 early childhood students will be impacted by this purchase.

Rooted MKE was instrumental in working with the Math Department to review and suggest a wide variety of culturally responsive children's literature for use with our Strong Start Math Early Math Leadership Project. Rooted MKE has a unique understanding of the students in our early childhood classrooms due to their local community insights.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process has been granted based on continuity (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(E)(1)(b)(iv)).

The total cost of goods purchased will not exceed \$59,771.25.

Budget Code:

MTH-0-1-9B4-CI-ETXB...... (Curriculum and Instruction-Purchases) \$59,771.25

Rooted MKE

HUB PARTICIPATION

Required	0%
Proposed	0%
\$ Value	N/A

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (Hours per 12-month contract)

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS

Exception Authorization to Issue a Purchase Order to Scholastic Book Fairs for Books for the Library Literacy Initiative

The Administration is requesting authorization to issue a purchase order to Scholastic Book Fairs for the purchase of books for the ESSER III funded Library Literacy Initiative.

Scholastic Book Fairs will deliver materials for book fairs that will take place at multiple middle schools. The books will be distributed in the libraries of Douglas, Lincoln School of the Arts, Roosevelt School of the Arts, Rufus King IB Middle, Morse, and Wedgewood. The Library Literacy Initiative will benefit 1,597 students. The books will allow Milwaukee Public School students to select culturally relevant books and create or build upon their home libraries. The Library Literacy Initiative encourages independent reading and student literacy.

The exception from the requirement of a competitive procurement process for this contract has been granted on the basis of continuity (Administrative Policy 3.09(7)(e)(1)(b)(iv)).

The total cost will not exceed \$57,533.39.

Budget Code:

HPE-0-I-LAM-DW-ENCQ...... (Curriculum & Instruction - Purchases) ... \$57,533.39

Scholastic Book Fairs HUB PARTICIPATION

Required		
Proposed	0%	
\$ Value	N/A	
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (hours per 12-month contract)		

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS